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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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**SUNDAY:**              Worship      10:00 AM & 5:00 PM  
**WEDNESDAY:**      Bible Study    6:30 PM



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# The Follower

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## *Add to Your Patience Godliness*

This is the fifth in a series of articles dealing with those characteristics that Peter taught must be diligently added to our faith if we are to be partakers of the divine nature (**2 Pet. 1:1-8**). We have looked at virtue, knowledge, temperance, and patience; today we will examine godliness.

Godliness translates from the Greek word *eusebeia* which is composed of two parts: *eu* meaning well, and *sebomai* meaning to be devout. Thus, godliness is having an attitude of piety toward God which is well pleasing unto Him. The same word is also translated "holiness" (**Acts 3:12**). Paul exhorted Timothy to *refuse profane and old wives' fables* and instead practice godliness (**1 Tim. 4:7**), and taught that *godliness is profitable unto all things* (**1 Tim. 4:8**). In his letter to Titus, Paul wrote that *acknowledging the truth is after godliness* (**Titus 1:1**). And Peter urged that we ought to be in *all holy conversation and godliness* (**2 Pet. 3:11**).

The Scriptures give us several examples of men who exhibit this characteristic. *Enoch walked with God* (**Gen. 5:24**) was translated that he should not see death (**Heb. 11:5**). *Noah found grace in the eyes of God* because he was a just man, perfect in his generations, and *walked with God* (**Gen. 6:8-9**); he did all that God commanded

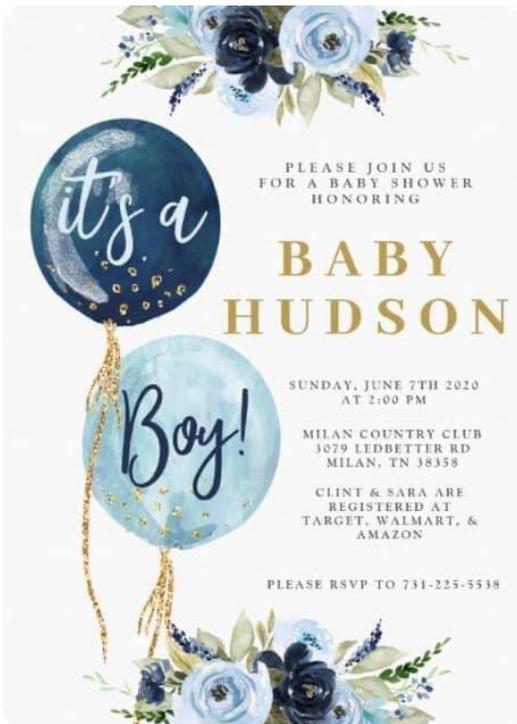
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(**Gen. 6:22**), and became *the heir of righteousness which is by faith* (**Heb. 11:7**). **Job** was *perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil* (**Job 1:1**).

If we desire to attain to godliness, we must strive to be pleasing to God. Godliness is doing that which is right, while ungodliness is linked to *unrighteousness of men* (**Rom. 1:18**) and *worldly lusts* (**Titus 2:12**). Thus to exhibit godliness means to *live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world* (**Titus 2:12**). If we love one another as we should, if we esteem the other better than ourselves, if we take advantage of opportunities to help those in need, if we walk in the light, and if we are forgiving of one another, we will be exhibiting godliness in our lives.

Let us add godliness to our faith that we may be pleasing to God.

~Freeman



*Please see Rita or Pam to contribute to a group gift.*

## Remember in Prayer . . .

- **Edward** has had cataract surgery on both eyes the past couple of weeks; he is doing well.
- **Martha Nell Reed** is not doing well; she remains at the McKenzie nursing home.
- **Wanda Flowers**, Shirley's sister, has moved from Shires to her son's home.
- Please continue to **remember our shut-ins**.

## News and Notes . . .

We will begin meeting together again next **Sunday, May 31, at 9AM for morning worship only**. All are asked to wear facemasks and keep them in place except during singing and communion. In order that we may observe the six-foot social-distancing mandate, seating assignments have been posted on the pews. An effort has been made to keep as many in the vicinity of their "regular pews" as possible. Individual communion packets will be available in the foyer and should be picked up before entering the auditorium; the offering plates will also be left in the foyer. When services are over, we will be dismissed by rows. Please exit the building when dismissed and drop your communion packs in the receptacle by the door. All visiting should be done outside and the six-foot social-distancing observed. Anyone who is sick or has been around anyone who is sick should not assemble, but should continue to participate in the online service instead.

Our **WEEKLY SERVICES** will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook at 9AM (after today) and 5PM on Sundays, and at 6:30PM on Wednesdays. **COMMUNION SUPPLIES** are available in the fellowship hall. Please call Freeman at 573-624-6575 if you need to arrange a pick-up time.